

**BEFORE THE  
SOUTH CAROLINA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

Petition of MCI Communications	)	
Services LLC for Approval	)	
Of Merger with Blue	)	Docket No. _____
Jeans Network, Inc.	)	

**Petition**

MCI Communications Services LLC (“MCICS”) d/b/a Verizon Business Services respectfully petitions the Commission for approval of the merger of Blue Jeans Network, Inc. into MCICS, leaving MCICS as the surviving entity. This Application is filed pursuant to S.C. Code § 58-9-310 (2015) and S.C. Code Regs. 103-825 (2012).

**I. DESCRIPTION OF THE COMPANIES**

1. MCICS is a Delaware corporation that operates throughout the United States, including South Carolina. The Commission granted the predecessor of MCICS a certificate of public convenience and necessity to operate as a provider of intrastate interexchange telecommunications services in the State in Docket No. 84-181-C, Order No. 84-732 and recognizes MCICS as the certificated entity in other orders in that docket, including Order Nos. 2008-329 and 2011-342. MCICS is a direct subsidiary of MCI International LLC and an indirect, wholly owned subsidiary of Verizon Communications Inc. (“VCI”).

2. VCI does not offer telecommunications services in South Carolina and is not certificated by this Commission, but is the ultimate parent of MCICS and other subsidiaries that operate in South Carolina.

3. Blue Jeans Network, Inc. ("BJN") is an information service provider that offers communications and collaboration services that include interactive video communication and screen sharing capabilities. BJN's base of operations is located in San Jose, California.

## **II. DESCRIPTION OF THE TRANSACTION**

4. VCI acquired the stock of BJN on May 15, 2020.

5. Currently, BJN is a wholly owned subsidiary of VCI. VCI will be taking the steps needed to merge BJN with and into MCICS, an indirect, wholly owned subsidiary of VCI. VCI will contribute the stock of BJN through certain wholly owned subsidiaries so that BJN will become a wholly owned subsidiary of MCI International LLC, the parent company of MCICS. BJN will then merge with and into MCICS, and MCICS will assume all assets and liabilities of BJN. At all times, before and after this transaction, MCICS will be an indirect, wholly owned subsidiary of VCI.

6. As a result of the merger, there will be no change in MCICS' management or control. Moreover, the merger will have no impact on the existing business of MCICS and will be transparent to customers. All of the managerial, technical, and financial resources currently available to MCICS will remain available to it.

## **III. RELIEF REQUESTED**

7. MCICS respectfully requests that the Commission expeditiously grant approval for MCICS and BJN to merge, leaving MCICS as the surviving entity. Because this merger will not affect rates charged to or services received by MCICS' customers, MCICS respectfully requests that any newspaper publication or other notice and any

hearing requirement be waived in this matter. *Cf.* S.C. Code Ann. §58-9-520 and §58-9-530 (2015).

8. Because Verizon plans to close the merger on November 1, 2020, MCICS requests that the Commission expedite its review and approval process such that an order granting the requested relief will issue no later than October 30, 2020.

WHEREFORE, having fully set forth its Petition, MCICS requests that the requested relief be granted.

Respectfully Submitted,

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